REMARKS

Claims 1-30 and 32-45 were examined in the Final Office Action. Claims 33-38 and 41-45 are allowed. Claims 7-10, 12-14, 16, 17, 21, 25, 27 and 28 are indicated to contain allowable subject matter, but are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 1-6, 11, 15, 18-20, 22-24, 26, 29, 30, 32, 39 and 40 are rejected over prior art.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments, which cancel all claims that have not been allowed. Only allowed claims 33-38 and 41-45 remain, placing the application in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore in order.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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